Furtherance of climate resilience

1071. SHRI MOHD. ALI KHAN: Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the country can further its climate resilience through a combination of measures and right incentives aimed at multiple levels of Government—local, State and national;

(b) if so, the details worked out, so far, in this direction; and

(c) the present status of Andhra Pradesh in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI JAIRAM RAMESH): (a) to (c) National Action Plan on Climate Change (NAPCC) released on 30th June, 2008 outlines a strategy to meet the challenge of Climate Change through a combination of sectoral measures taken by Government in consultation with various stakeholders including State Governments. Each of the eight national missions envisaged in the NAPCC is formulated by the nodal ministry in the Government of India and organized through inter-sectoral groups which include in addition to related Ministries, experts from industry, academia and civil society.

The Government has requested the State Governments including the Government of Andhra Pradesh to prepare State level Action Plan on Climate Change consistent with the strategy in the National Action Plan on Climate Change.

Tiger project in Andhra Pradesh

1072. SHRIMATI T. RATNA BAI: Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government is going to announce four new Project Tiger areas very soon; and

(b) if so, the complete details thereof, State-wise especially in Andhra Pradesh during the last five years?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI JAIRAM RAMESH): (a) and (b) In principle approval has been accorded for creation of four new tiger reserves namely Pilibhit (Uttar Pradesh), Sunabeda (Orissa), Ratapani (Madhya Pradesh) and Sahyadri (Maharashtra).

Smokeless chullah

1073. SHRI PRAKASH JAVADEKAR: Will the Minister of NEW AND RENEWABLE ENERGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the design of 'smokeless chullah' distributed to nearly two crore families in rural areas in the nineties has proved faulty and is being described as one of the reason for rising emission;

(b) if so, whether Government is working on any other design to improve the chullah in